

Network Operations Support

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Verizon Wireless
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Re: Bona Fide Request for Number Portability ("BFR")

Dear Alvin Wilkening,

Verizon Wireless has upgraded all of its switches for wireless number portability and plans to offer customers the ability to port in our mutual overlapping service areas, as required by the FCC's rules. Previously, Verizon Wireless mailed a bona fide request for number portability to your company, consisting of a cover letter and an attached industry-developed bona fide request form. The BFR was intended to ensure that consumers can enjoy the benefits of competitive porting among wireless and wireline carriers, where requested by a competing carrier, by November 24, 2003, or a subsequent timeframe as outlined by the FCC's rules.²

Verizon Wireless requested information designed to determine: (1) where porting is currently available; and most importantly, (2) where and when porting would be available in additional switches not currently porting capable. To this end, Verizon Wireless provided specific information regarding, among other things, the targeted rate center, NPA-NXX codes and the switch CLLI.

Verizon Wireless does not accept your response rejecting its BFR. Verizon Wireless hereby renews its original request with the same effective date triggered by that request. Specifically, Verizon Wireless rejects the following arguments offered by your company and/or other companies that the BFR must be predicated on:

- Negotiating an interconnection agreement or a traffic exchange agreement. The LNP rules do not include such a requirement. Service Provider LNP is merely a service that allows customers to retain their telephone number in the same location when switching providers and does not change existing network configurations for call rating and routing. No interconnection or traffic exchange agreement is necessary and more importantly, is not required. Verizon Wireless is willing to negotiate a service level agreement ("SLA") or other document to govern the porting activity and is in the process of contacting carriers for that purpose.
- Resolution of pending issues before the FCC regarding rate center issues, local network configurations, porting intervals, and any other remaining operational issues. Although Verizon Wireless believes that these issues will be resolved well before the November 24, 2003 deadline for wireless portability, resolution is not required for issuance of the BFR and compliance is not excused during the FCC's deliberations.

Verizon Wireless expects that you will comply with the FCC's rules and honor its BFR when customers seek to port their numbers to Verizon Wireless on or after November 24, 2003. Verizon Wireless will pursue all legal or enforcement remedies before the FCC if your company refuses to provide LNP with Verizon Wireless on or after November 24, 2003 deadline.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bonnie Petti".

Bonnie Petti
Network Operations Headquarters Staff

cc: John T. Scott, Deputy General Counsel

² The timeframes for conversion to LNP of any additional switches are governed by the FCC's rules and range from 30 days to 180 days, depending upon the status of the switches (i.e., equipped remote, hardware capable, capable switches requiring hardware, and non-capable). 47 C.F.R. § 52.23 (b)(2)(iv)(A-D).